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What is claimed:

1. In a wireless mobile communication device, a method of operation comprising:

5 receiving a first user request from an input key of the wireless mobile communication device; and

 in response, displaying on a display of the wireless mobile communication device, a list of communication messages of at least two message types selected from a message type group comprising of an email message type, a
10 text message type, a voice message type, and a call message type.

2. The method of claim 1, wherein the displaying comprises displaying on the display for a communication message, a pictorial icon depicting a sender/caller of the communication message.

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3. The method of claim 1, wherein the displaying comprises displaying on the display for a communication message, a pictorial icon depicting an unknown sender/caller for the communication message.

20 4. The method of claim 1, wherein the method of operation, further comprising

 receiving a second user request from the same or another input key of the wireless mobile communication device; and

in response, expanding the display of a selected one of the displayed communication messages.

5. The method of claim 1, wherein the method of operation, further
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receiving a second user request from the same or another input key of the wireless mobile communication device; and

in response, facilitating reply to a selected one of the displayed communication messages in a same communication protocol the selected
10 communication message is received.

6. The method of claim 1, wherein the method of operation, further comprising

receiving a second user request from the same or another input key of
15 the wireless mobile communication device; and

in response, facilitating the user in selecting a communication protocol, and facilitating reply to a selected one of the displayed communication messages in the selected communication protocol.

20 7. The method of claim 1, wherein said displaying comprises displaying the list of communication messages with at least three message types selected from the message type group comprising of the email message type, the text message type, the voice message type, and the call message type.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein said displaying comprises displaying the list of communication messages with at least four message types comprising the email message type, the text message type, the voice message type, and the call
5 message type.

9. A wireless mobile communication device comprising:
a transceiver to facilitate sending and receiving communication
messages of a plurality of message types;
10 a display;
an input device; and
an unified message function to render on the display, in response to a
first input inputted using the input device, a list of communication messages of at
least two message types selected from a message type group comprising of an
15 email message type, a text message type, a voice message type, and a call
message type.

10. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified
message function is designed to display for a communication message, as part of
20 said displaying, a pictorial icon depicting a sender/caller of the communication
message.

11. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is designed to display for a communication message, as part of said displaying, a pictorial icon depicting an unknown sender/caller for the communication message.

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12. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is further designed to expand the display of a selected one of the displayed communication messages, in response to a second input inputted from the input device.

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13. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is further designed to facilitate reply to a selected one of the displayed communication messages in a same communication protocol the selected communication message is received, in response to a second input

15 inputted from the input device.

14. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is further designed to facilitate selection of a communication protocol, and facilitate reply to a selected one of the displayed communication messages in the selected communication protocol, in response to a second input inputted from the input device.

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15. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is designed to display the list of communication messages with at least three message types selected from the message type group comprising of the email message type, the text message type, the voice message type, and the call
5 message type.

16. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the unified message function is designed to display the list of communication messages with at least four message types comprising the email message type, the text message
10 type, the voice message type, and the call message type.

17. The wireless mobile communication device of claim 9, wherein the wireless mobile device comprises a wireless mobile phone.